

**AMENDED CLAIMS**

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original claims 1-8 replaced by new claims 1-7 (2 pages)]

1           A method of processing a large still picture so as to visualize it on a display having a size smaller than the large still picture, said method comprising the steps of:

- 5       -       dividing the large still picture into a set of pieces, said pieces having a size substantially equal to the display size,
- ranking the pieces of the large still picture according to a predetermined scanning order,
- encoding the set of pieces using a predictive block-based compression technique
- 10       according to said predetermined scanning order so as to obtain a video sequence, and
- decoding and displaying the video sequence on the display.

2           A method as claimed in claim 1, wherein the pieces of the large still picture overlap each other and wherein the dividing and ranking steps are based on a traveling shot

15       adapted to cover at least a part of the large still picture.

3           A method as claimed in claim 1, further comprising a step of detecting contours within the large still picture.

20       4           A method as claimed in claim 3, wherein the dividing and ranking steps are based on a continuous scanning of the contours detected by the step of detecting contours.

5           A method as claimed in any one of claims 1, further comprising a step of zooming a part of the large still picture.

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6           A device for processing a large still picture so as to visualize it on a display having a size smaller than the large still picture, said device comprising:

- said display,
- means for dividing the large still picture into a set of pieces, said pieces having a size
- 30       substantially equal to the display size,
- means for ranking the pieces of the large still picture according to a predetermined scanning order,

- an encoder for encoding the set of pieces using a predictive block-based compression technique according to said predetermined scanning order so as to obtain a video sequence, and
- a decoder for decoding and displaying the video sequence on the display.

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7           A computer program product comprising program instructions for implementing, when said program is executed by a processor, a method as claimed in claim 1.

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